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Pastors of Two Local Churches To Celebrate Silver Jubile

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Two Catholic parishes in Terre Haute have silver jubilee celebr tions for their pastors this week, the priests having been membe of the same ordination class.

Rev. Amos A. McLoughlin of St. Margaret Mary's Church, and Rev. James F. McBarron of Sacred Heart Church, both were ordained at St. Meinrad's Seminary May 25, 1926.

Father McLoughlin will celebrate his twenty-fifth anniversary mass Friday morning at 9 o'clock. A breakfast for visiting clergy and relatives will be served afterwards in St. Margaret Mary's school hall.

Father McBarron's silver jubilee mass is scheduled for 11 o'clock Sunday morning with a luncheon for relatives and priests to follow.

Rev. McLoughlin came to Terre Haute a year and one-half ago from St. Anne's parish in New Castle, Ind., where he had been pastor since 1938. Prior to that time he had been at St. Mary's and St. Patrick's parishes in Daviess county and at St. Simon's in Washington, Ind.

His brother, Rev. Anthony McLoughlin, is at Danville, Ind., and a sister, Sister Henrietta Marie, is with the Sisters of Providence at Ft. Wayne.

Rev. McBarron has been at Sacred Heart Church since October of 1940 and before then was at All Saints' Church, Cannelburg, Ind.; St. Joan of Arc's and St. John's churches, Indianapolis, and St. Ambrose's Church, Seymour.

The two local members of St. Meinrad's class of 1926 and the other two members of the class will celebrate a reunion mass Wednesday, June 13, at Sacred Heart church.

The other two priests are Rev. Sylvester Bloemke of St. Vincent's parish, Bedford, Ind., and Rev. Ralph Doyle of St. John's parish, Loogootee, Ind., and former assistant at Sacred Heart church.

A dinner for visiting priests will be served at the Terre Haute House following the mass. Speaker for the occasion will be Rt. Rev. Henry Dugan, chancellor of the archdiocese of Indianapolis.

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Mass Marks Retirement

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Father's Day, Sunday, Jun 17, will hold a special meaning this year for the members o St. Margaret Mary parish.

A traditional Latin Mass, commemorative of the pre-Vatican II era, will be celebrated in observance of Father's Day Sunday at 11 a.m. by Father Amos McLoughlin. This Mass, however, serves another purpose, in that Father McLoughlin is to retire June 30. He has served as pastor of St. Margaret Mary parish since Feb. 10, 1953, and in that time his humility and his kind and gentle disposition have endeared him to his parishoners.

During his years at St. Margaret Mary's Fr., McLoughlin brought the congregation into a new church building in 1957, led the parish grade school through a period of financial crisis and considerably reduced the parish's debt for the new church building and maintenance.

St. Margaret Mary's adult choir directed by Mrs. Janette Devlin will sing the Mass in Honor of the Most Holy Redeemer by Leopold Syre! The beauty and magnificence of the music of a Latin Mass has yet to be matched since the transition from Latin to English. The Propers of the Mass will be sung in the traditional Gregorian chant.

Members of the choir are: Sopranos, Eileen Callahan, Janette Devlin, Jeanette Hakeem, Mary Kay Pestoff and Roni Pestoff; Altos, Margaret Bray, Cindy Bullock, Frances Denning and Theresa Hakeem; Tenors, Dan Sullivan, Wendell Manwarring and Roy Wirth; Bass, Charles Aten, Frank Duperon, Gene Kibler, George Hakeem and Tom Hakeem. Director is Janette Devlin and organist, Jeanette Hakeem.

The general public is cordially invited to attend.

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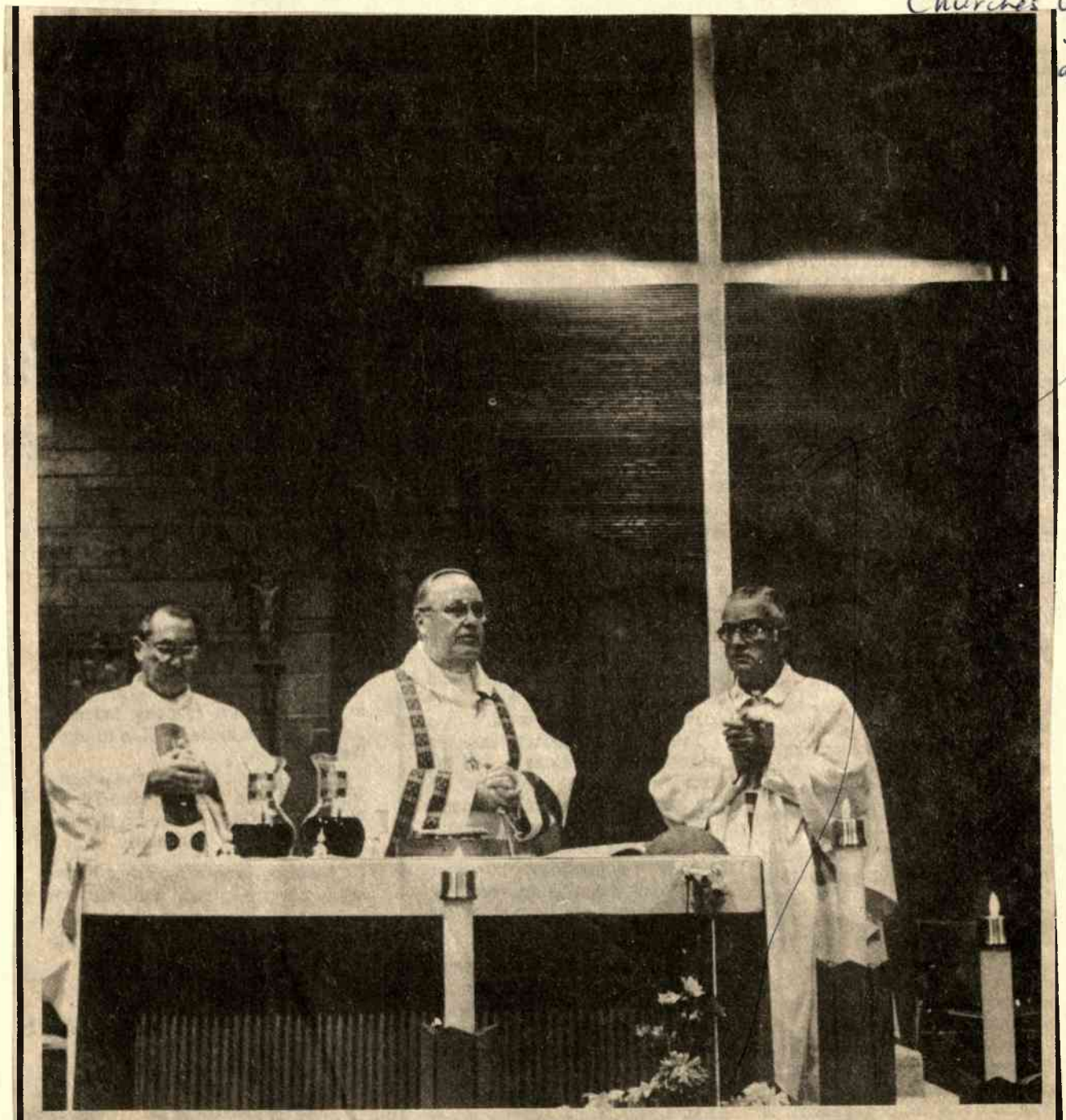

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Edward T. O'Meara, archbishop of the archdiocese of Indianapolis, is flanked by Rev. John Dede and Rev. William Morley, while conducting a Mass to dedicate the renovated St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church Sunday afternoon. The Parish Council of the church, which was founded in 1920, set a goal in 1979 to renovate the building in accordance with the dictums of Vatican II.

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pastor of Sacred Heart Church and the Rev. John Kraka is the assistant pastor. The school is conducted by the Sisters of Providence.

ST. MARGARET MARY PARISH IMPORTANT TO COMMUNITY.

The St. Margaret Mary School, located on the corner of Seventh and Voorhees streets, is a combination building of red buff brick. It contains the parish church, the parochial school and the parish hall.

The church, which has been lately redecorated, is very attractive and due to its zealous pastor, the Rev. Herbert F. Winterhalter, it is one of the best attended churches in Terre Haute.

The entire second floor of the building is devoted to the school. Most inspiring pictures and bulletin boards adorn the school corridor. There are four well lighted and perfectly equipped classrooms, each with a seating capacity of about forty students, where the 130 pupils enrolled this year receive a thorough education. There is also the nucleus of what promises to be a very satisfactory library. Among the books used most frequently by the children are some late reference books just added to their collection.

The school is under the direction of the Sisters of Providence. Each teacher holds a life license from the state of Indiana. The course of study pursued is that prepared under the direction of the Rev. Leonard Wernsing for the parochial schools of the Indianapolis diocese. The music department is a source of great enjoyment as well as profit to the students. The rhythm bands especially are doing splendid work.

The large playground with its modern equipment adds much to the children's health and happiness. The monthly fire drills by faithful practice have been brought to a high standard. In one minute after the gong has been rung the building is entirely vacated.

The parish hall is the scene of varied activities, both social and educational. It serves as a lunch room where pupils are served milk daily. Lectures, recitals and special programs are held there.

The people of St. Margaret Mary parish are justly proud of their excellent school and they are deeply grateful to their kind pastor, who has been so untiring in his efforts to make it all it should be and is.

WEST TERRE HAUTE SERVED BY ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH.

The Rev. Thomas A. Hoffman, in 1910, at the direction of the Most Rev. Francis Silas Chartard, D. D., made a survey of the town of Macksville, later named West Terre Haute, and the surrounding territory from the Wabash River west to the state line, which was then a part of St. Joseph's parish, Terre Haute.

From the results of this survey a new parish was started and given the name of St. Leonard of Port Maurice.

After considering several different locations in the town of West Terre Haute, property was purchased on North Eighth Street, and plans begun for the erection of buildings to take care of the needs of the newly organized parish. From the time the parish was organized until property was purchased and buildings erected, mass was celebrated in the home of John Gropp on Riggy Avenue. After a few changes had been made in a house on the property purchased by the parish, a school was opened in this building in 1911. In November of this same year a new brick building on North Eighth Street was completed, which was to serve both as church and school. On Nov. 19, 1911, the holy sacrifice of the mass was offered for the first time in the new building, and the section set aside for school purposes was occupied. Miss Lillian Johnson, who afterward became a sister of the Order of Providence, taught school at this time. The following year the Sisters of Providence of St. Mary-of-the-Woods began teaching school in this school, which they have continued to do since that time. The school consists of rooms on the first floor of the brick building, which can accommodate 100 children. Sister Benedicta is the present superior.

The second floor of the building which was dedicated May 5, 1912, by the Most Rev. Joseph Chartrand, D. D., is used for church services and is large enough to take care of the parish since it was started. Consequently no special building was ever erected.

The basement of the church and school building has been so arranged so as to afford a convenient place to accommodate the social activities of the parish.

Through the co-operation of the people of the parish and with the generous assistance of the people of Terre Haute and the surrounding communities Father Hoffman was able to take care of the spiritual needs of the people of St. Leonard's parish for seventeen years.

In 1928 Father Hoffman was succeeded by the Rev. Charles Kabey, who was pastor of St. Leonard's until June of 1931, when the Rev. Urban Sonderman was placed in charge of the parish. In June of 1934 Father Sonderman was succeeded by the Rev. Pierce Dixon, who was in charge of the parish until February of 1937, when he was succeeded by the Rev. Charles H. Wagner, the present pastor.

Although the parish was never large, through the generosity of the people of Terre Haute and the surrounding communities, it has been possible for St. Leonard's Parish to serve the spiritual needs of the people for the last thirty some years.

Negro Churches Factor in Religious Life of the Cit

BY WILMA WEBB.

The church is the only institution in the world which stands for the revelation of God in Christ and mediates that truth and its implications to the individual at every stage in his life, day after day and year after year, at times of crisis and in life's routine. If it were not for that quiet and steady work of the church, where would the average individual come in contact with Christian truth, or where would he come in contact with any coherent interpretation of life?

The church is the only institution which deliberately offers people opportunity for public worship and seeks to train them in private worship.

The church is the only institution which continually holds up the Christian ideal of life. Here its work does overlap with the work of other institutions such as schools, much secular literature, the law and many organizations which seek the realization of specific ideals. But at its best the church holds up an ideal which is higher and more inclusive.

Organized in Lost Creek.

The origin of the Negro Church here dates back to the Lost Creek settlement, located in the north part of lost Creek Township, a colony of Negro settlers which has attracted more than local attention by the steady and thrifty colored farmers which it has produced and the good citizenship which has prevailed there over the years.

Allen Chapel may be called the mother of colored churches in Terre Haute. The early church was a part of the Lost Creek Circuit until the later part of the Nineteenth Century. The church has grown from a small slab meeting house to the present modern church of today. The church was founded in June, 1839, by Bishop William Paul Quinn of Philadelphia. The present building, located at Third and Crawford streets, was erected in 1913 by the Rev. J. L. Craven.

The church ranks second in the southern district and third in the annual conference. Under the pastorate of the Rev. R. F. Ford, Allen Chapel promises again to be a lighthouse on the hill whose light cannot be hidden under a bushel.

St. John's A. M. E. Church.

Out of Allen Chapel also grew the St. John's A. M. E. Church known as the Spruce Street A. M. E. Church, located at Nineteenth and Spruce streets. This building was erected and the cornerstone laid in June, 1929, under the pastorate of the Rev. J. S. A. Mitcham. The church was organized Nov. 9, 1893 by the Rev. Alexander Smith, presiding elder of the Evansville district and was at that time known as the Rising Mission Church with the Rev. J. W. Henson as pastor. The present pastor is the Rev. W. K. Robertson who is serving his second year.

St. Paul Baptist.

The St. Paul Baptist Church, Second and Farrington streets, is at present without a pastor, but is being led in progress by the Rev. J. L. Brandon, the acting pastor. The church was organized in the year 1917 by the Rev. William [illegible] Dickerson.

The Rev. I. D. Dorsey has prove an uplift to Saulters' Methodi Church and community during h five years as pastor of the churc Saulters' Methodist Church was o ganized in the home of Mr. a Mrs. Albert Adams, 1328 Sou Thirteenth Street, in October, 19 The organizer was the Rev. Branden. The name "Saulters" w given the church to honor t chairman of the trustee board a the oldest member in the new formed church, Mr. Saulters. T present building, located at Thi teenth and One-half and Frankl streets, was erected in 1908. Th Saulters' Methodist Church was b gun and has survived and grown be a vivid monument.

Shiloh Baptist.

The Shiloh Baptist Church, Twe ty-fourth Street and Seventh Av nue, one of the younger churches the city, was organized Jan. 3, 19 by the Rev. William M. Dickerso The present pastor, the Rev. H. Bexley, was called to the chur Jan. 20, 1939. Under his leadersh a rising trend in membershi finance and spirit has been see As a forceful and superb preach and as one of the most gifted a versatile of the younger ministe the services of the Rev. Mr. Bexl are always much sought for a his preaching is always heard wi eagerness.

The First Free Baptist Churc located at Thirteenth and Frankl streets, has become a vital spiri ual force in the community und the pastorate of the Rev. H. Cl Marwell, D. D. The church w organized in the year 1882 by small group of persons in a ho on South Fourteenth Street. small frame building was erected a place of worship. This buildi soon became inadequate to ta care of the growing congregatio

Calvary Baptist.

"The Little Church Around t Corner" is the nickname given t Calvary Baptist Church, located Thirteenth and One-half Street a College Avenue. A group of me bers associated with the Secon Missionary Baptist Church, orga ized the church on Sept. 15, 191 Much praise is due the Rev. J. Duncan, the present pastor, who h paid off all indebtedness of the c building, increased the membershi organized a yearly program whi gives the church a wider field which to work and who devised t plan by which the present edifi was built. The Rev. Mr. Dunca is serving his thirteenth year pastor of the church.

The Second Missionary Bapti Church was the first colored Ba tist Church organized in this cit The church was organized in t year 1871 by the Rev. Lewis Art at 28 South Second Street. Und the pastorate of the Rev. Steph Clay the present location at Fou teenth and Oak streets was pu chased. In 1935 the Rev. B. Winchester, the present minist was called, and for six years h inspirational, impressive and supe sermons have been a decided drav ing card for attendance and a gre stimulus to spiritual life.

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Terre Haute Priest To Read His First Mass Here Today

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Rev. Edward Vincent Gayso, ordained Tuesday at St. Meinrad Abbey, will celebrate his first solemn high mass in his home parish this morning at 11 o'clock, at Sacred Heart church, Lafayette and Woodley avenues.

A dinner for the visiting clergy and members of the immediate family of the new priest will be served at the rectory, after the mass.

At 7:30 o'clock in the evening a reception for Father Gayso will be held in Sacred Heart School hall.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gayso, 2532 North Fifteenth and One-half street, Rev. Gayso received all of his training for the priesthood at St. Meinrad minor and major seminaries. He is 25 years old and was born and raised in Terre Haute.

Rev. James Moore, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes church, Indianapolis, who was pastor of Sacred Heart church when Rev. Gayso began his religious training, will preach the sermon at the mass today.

Deacon will be Rev. William Stineman, assistant at St. Patrick's church. Other principals in the mass are Rev. Charles McSween, assistant at St. Ann's church, subdeacon; Rev. James McBarron, pastor of Sacred Heart church, archpriest, and Rev. James P. Dooley, assistant at Sacred Heart church, master of ceremonies.

Rev. Gayso was ordained by Rev. Paul C. Schulte, archbishop of Indianapolis. Five other priests were ordained at St. Meinrad's the same day.

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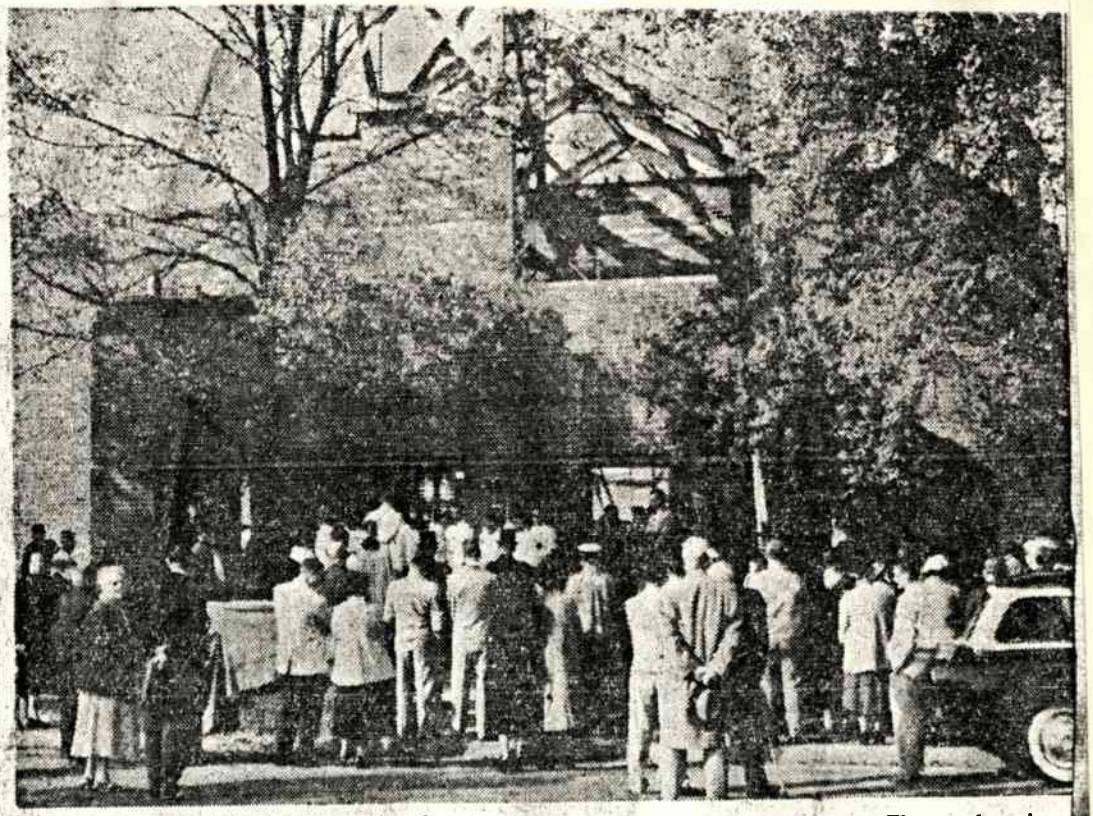

THIS SHOWS the throng of citizens who witnessed the ceremony Sunday afternoon. The speakers included several high dignitaries of the church from points in this area.

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Cornerstone Laid Sunday At Church Bldg.

Members and friends of Sacred Heart Church lined the sidewalks and grounds surrounding the new church building Sunday afternoon to witness cornerstone laying ceremonies of the new edifice.

Archbishop Paul C. Schulte conducted the services, first blessing the site of the main altar, then blessing and placing the cornerstone and concluding with the blessing of the foundations.

Rev. James McBarron, pastor of Sacred Heart; Rev. James Dooley, assistant pastor, and members of the clergy of the Terre Haute deanery assisted in the ceremonies. Members of the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, served as an escort for the Archbishop.

Placed in the cornerstone on the memorable occasion were the personal signatures of a number of religious superiors, and civil officials together with a collection of signatures of many members and friends of the parish. Other articles accompanying the signatures included a crucifix from the Holy Land, appropriate medals and a yearbook of the diocese for the current year.

THIS SCENE shows the blessing of the cornerstone, laid by Archbishop Paul C. Schulte of Indianapolis Sunday afternoon. The ceremony was participated in by 15 visiting clergymen.

Archbishop Schulte, in a brief address following the ceremonies, pointed out that craftsmen engaged in the construction of the church were creating a special work. While they are applying their trade as a means of livelihood, he said, they are making a house of God and not just an ordinary building. He rejoiced with the priests and members of the parish in the fulfillment of a dream of 30 years.

Rt. Rev. Herbert Winterhalter and Mayor Ralph Tucker also spoke briefly after the services.

For the past 30 years the Sacred Heart building has housed both the church and school of the Parish. The new building, a colonial type structure with a seating capacity of 860, is expected to be completed by early summer.

A special feature of the new building will be a glass-partioned, soundproof room adjoining the sanctuary which will serve as a "cry room" for babies and will be the baptistry chapel. Parents with small children can watch as well as hear the services from the room which is immediately accessible from a side door.

Cornerstone of New Sacred Heart Church Will Be Laid Next Sunday

By Bob Cronin

OCT 9 1955

The ceremonies accompanying the cornerstone laying of the new Sacred Heart Church will be conducted by Archbishop Paul C. Schulte of Indianapolis Sunday afternoon, Oct. 16, at 2 o'clock.

The program of ceremonies will consist of the blessing and placing in position of the cornerstone, the blessing of the foundations of the building and the blessing of the site of the main altar of the church. Following the blessing ceremonies, the program of speakers will include several high dignitaries of the church world and civic groups.

In planning the contents of the cornerstone, it was decided to record the personal signatures of religious superiors and civil officials. Cards containing the following personal autographs have been obtained and will be enclosed in the stone: Most Reverend Amleto G. Cicognani, the Apostolic Delegate in Washington; His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Pizzardo, the Secretary of the Congregation of the Holy Office of Rome; Most Reverend Paul C. Schulte, the Archbishop of Indianapolis; Most Reverend Joseph E. Ritter, the Archbishop of St. Louis; Most Reverend Albert L. Fletcher, the Bishop of Little Rock, Ark.; Right Reverend Raymond Henry F. Dugan, the Chancellor of the Archdioces of Indianapolis; Right Reverend Raymond R. Noll, the Vicar General of the Archdiocese; Right Reverend H. F. Winterhalter, the Dean of Priests of the Terre Haute District; Reverend Mother Gertrude Clare, the Superior General of the Sisters of Providence.

Also, the personal signatures of President Dwight Eisenhower, Mr. Sherman Minton, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court; Mr. Raymon Magsaysay, the president of the Republc of the Philippines; Governor George N. Craig; Mayor Ralph Tucker, and also signatures of the members and friends of the Parish.

Crucifix From Holy Land.

Also to be enclosed in the cornerstone will be a Crucifix from the Holy Land, which is made of wood from a tree in the Garden of Gethsemane. A large bronze medal which was received through the kindness of Cardinal Pizzardo will be enclosed. In a letter received from the Cardinal, he stated that the medal has been blessed by Pope Pius XII, to be enclosed in the cornerstone, and he forwarded it accompanied by an expression of the affection and esteem of the Holy Father for His children, the members of the Parish, and of his paternal interest in and blessing upon their undertaking—the building of a new Sacred Heart Church.

A Sacred Heart badge and other appropriate medals will be enclosed, including a gold St. Jude medal donated by Reverend James Hickey, the pastor of St. Ann's Parish, in memory of his mother. All of these materials are of a lasting quality, and are to be placed into plastic bags for waterproofing, and should be in perfect condition should the cornerstone ever be opened in the future. A Yearbook of the Archdiocese for the current year will complete the contents of the cornerstone.

The new church is expected to be ready for occupancy in late spring. It will have a seating capacity of eight hundred and sixty people.

The plans and specifications for the new buildings, church and rectory, were drawn by Yeager Architects. The buildings are being constructed by the W. H. Sanford Corporation. The heating and plumbing facilities are being installed by the Prox and Burget Company. The electrical installations are being made by the Sandborn Electric Company. The ceramic and floor tile will be installed by the Terre Haute Tile Company.

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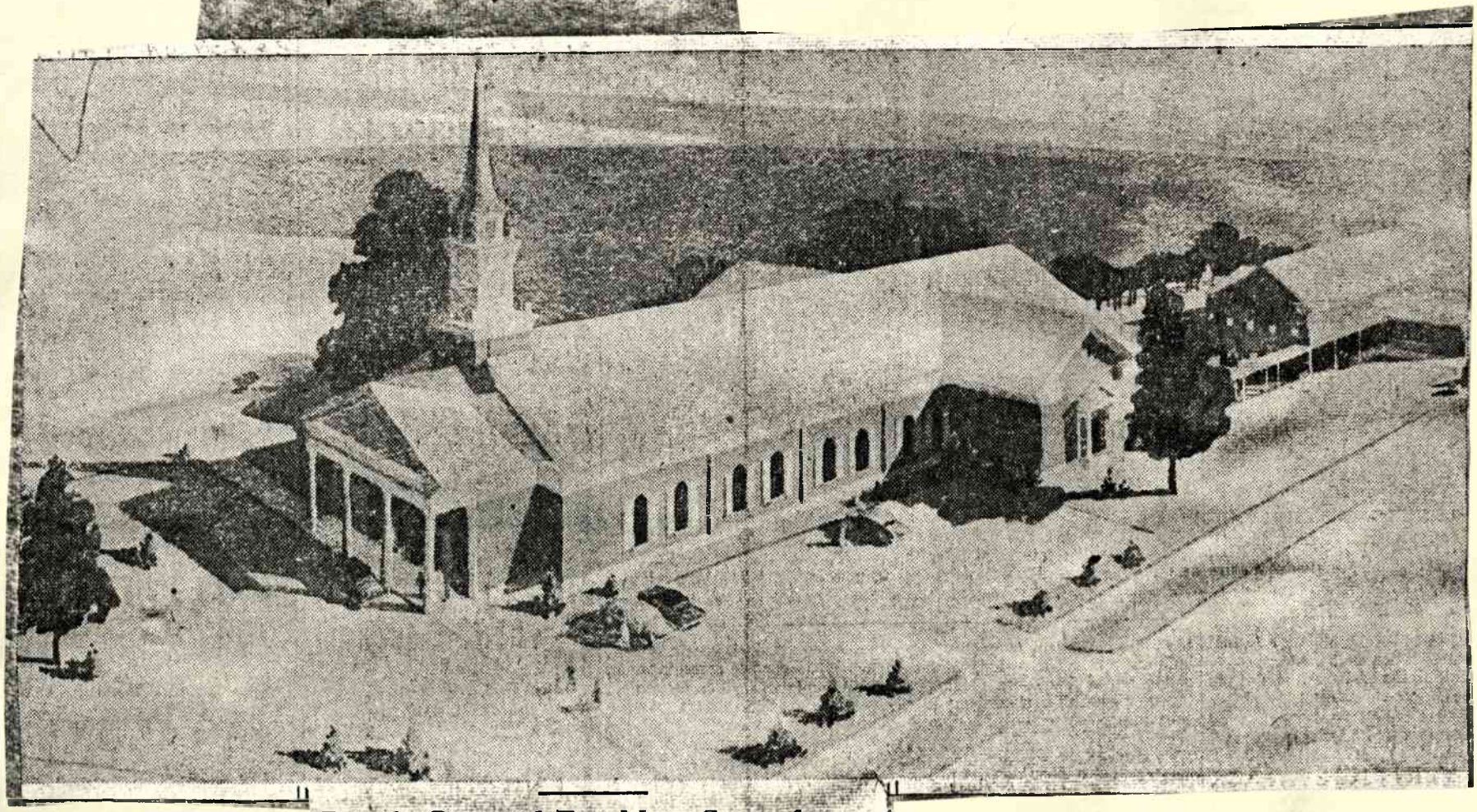

Break Ground For New Sacred Heart Church Here Next Sunday

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Bids will be taken May 5 for a new church and rectory at Barbour avenue and Thirteenth and One-half street for the Sacred Heart Parish. When completed the church will seat 850 people. A new rectory is also to be built in addition to the church. The buildings will be American Colonial style and will have gas-fired heating and the church and rectory will be connected by cloister and the office of the pastor and assistant pastor will be in the rectory. The plans have been prepared by Yeager Architects and bids will be received May 5. The pastor is Rev. James McBarron. He has been pastor of Sacred Heart church since 1940. His assistant is Rev. James Dooley, who has been located here six years. The ground-breaking will take place Sunday afternoon, May 7, and will be attended by a number of clergy from the Indianapolis doicese.

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Dedicate New Church On June 24

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By CARL DAVIS

The new Sacred Heart Church and rectory, Thirteenth and One-half street and Barbour avenue, will be formally dedicated in ceremonies Sunday afternoon, June 24.

The ceremonies will begin at 5 o'clock with the blessing and dedication of the building by Archbishop Paul C. Schulte and will be followed with soleum high mass. Archbishop Schulte also will be the celebrant of the mass. Assisting him will be former pastors and assistants of the parish.

Rev. James McBarron, who has served as pastor of the parish since 1940, announced that a reception for the archbishop and members of the visiting clergy will be held in the school auditorium following the ceremony.

Bids for the church and rectory were awarded on May 5, 1955, and ground was broken for the new north side edifice on May 8. The ceremonies of blessing and laying of the cornerstone were conducted by Archbishop Schulte on Sunday, Oct. 16, the same year.

Cost of the new church and rectory was estimated at $275,000 completely furnished. It will be financed through a special monthly building fund collection, it was reported.

Fronts on Barbour avenue.

The colonial style structure faces Barbour avenue, and four large white columns adorn the main entrance.

In keeping with the colonial design, the outer walls are of red brick and the gracefully arched windows, trimmed in white, blend with the early American theme of the structure.

The color scheme throughout the church is dark walnut and the butternut wood finish of the pews and other oak wood fixtures harmonize with appointments.

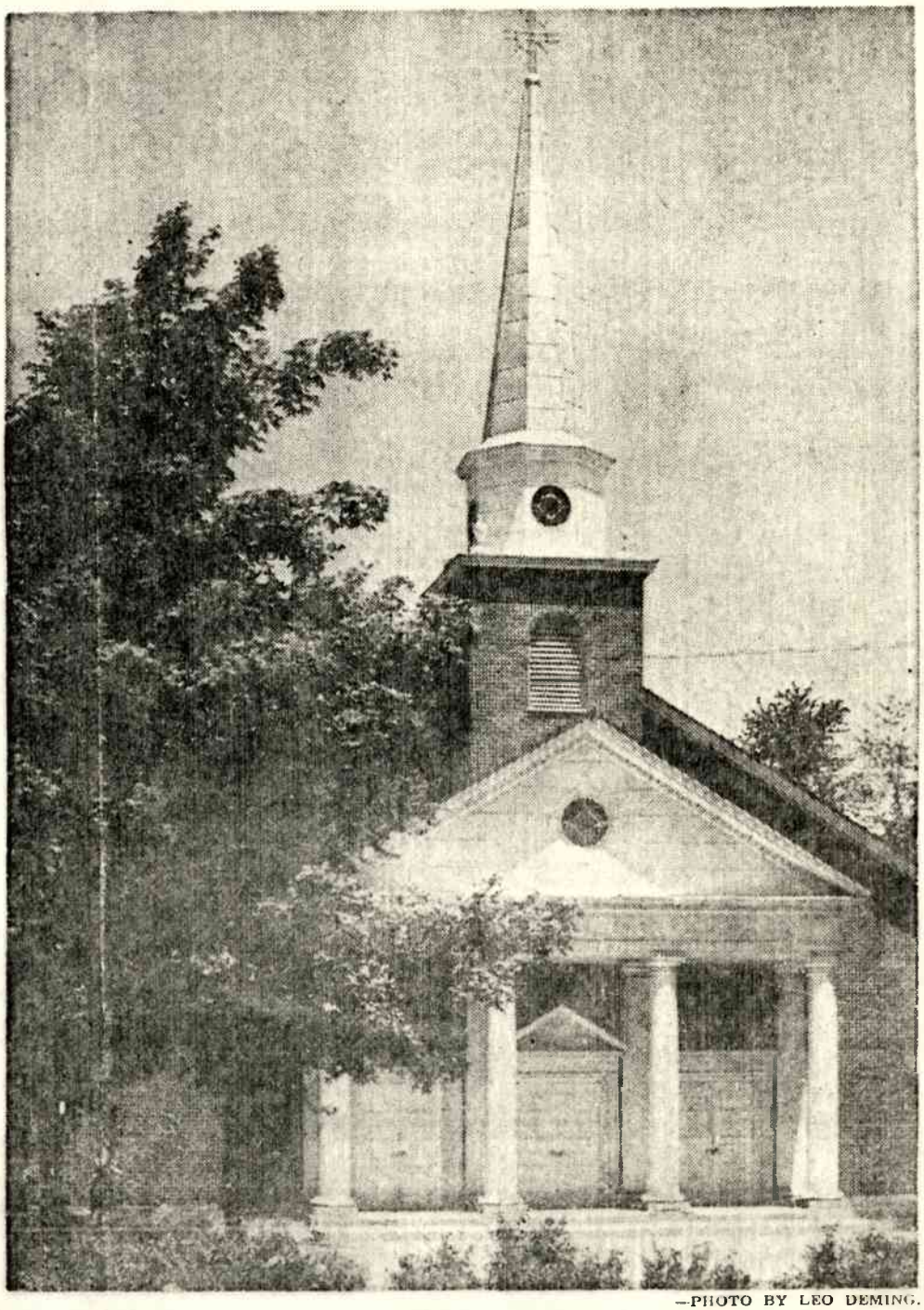
The floor of the building which measures 121 feet by 57 feet, is covered with a rubber tile material suitable for modern day wear. The church across the transcepts measures 90 feet.

Outstanding points about the new edifice is the Crucifix, the location of the "cry room" and the choir loft.

The Crucifix, which hangs above the main altar, is a Bavarian wood carving and has the distinction of being one of two of its kind in the archdiocese of Indianapolis.

Location Of "Cry Room."

The "cry room," where parents may bring their youngsters to



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RECENTLY COMPLETED SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

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avoid distraction of other worshipers, is located directly off the sanctuary to the right of the main altar. It measures 15 feet in width and is 28 feet long.

The glass enclosed, soundproof room also will serve as a baptistry. It is accessible from a side door to the east.

Adding to the beauty of the church are the chandeliers. They are of unique design and were made from a drawing of a typical colonial lighting fixture.

Plans for the new church, which will seat 800 persons, including the cry room and rectory, which adjoins the church to the north, were drawn by Yeager Architects of Terre Haute.

The general contractor for the buildings was W. H. Sanford Corporation. Other contracts let included Prox and Burget Company, heating and plumbing; Sandborn Electric Company, electrical installations, and Terre Haute Tile Company, ceramic and floor tile.

The steeple, which weights nearly five tons, is of a specially treated aluminum to prevent oxidation. The spire is 33 feet high and stands 70 feet above the ground level. It is topped by a Celtic cross and a cast aluminm globe representing the world.

The church bell, which will be electrically controlled, originally hung in St. Patrick church tower. It was removed from St. Patrick's Oct. 3, the feast day of St. Therese.

The bell was cast in Cincinnati in 1898 and measures four feet in diameter and weighs 2,500 pounds.

An automatically regulated gas heating plant will provide even temperatures for the church and two-story rectory. During construction provisions were also made for the installation of air conditioning.

Parish Organized In 1922.

Sacred Heart parish was organized by Father Aloysius B. Duffy in 1922 and the site of the parish property south of Barbour avenue was purchased in December, 1922. The combination church and school building was begun in April, 1923, and ceremonies of blessing and laying of the cornerstone were performed by Monsignor Joseph Ryrne on June 10, 1923. Dedication ceremonies by Bishop Chartrand took place on July 13, 1924.

The old church-school building was extensively renovated in October and in November, 1953, the old rectory was razed to make room for a new convent. The sisters' home was completed and blessed by Archbishop Schulte in August, 1953. It was constructed at an estimated cost of $66,000.

Need of the new church was deemed necessary when during the summer of 1954 a part of the church proper was given over to two class rooms. At least four more class rooms will be realized in the school building with erection of the church.

Father Duffy, former assistant at St. Ann's Church, served as first pastor at Sacred Heart until 1926. He was followed by Rev. James Kavanaugh, 1926-1927; Rev. Omer Eisenman, 1927-1934; Rev. Jerome Pfau, 1934-1939; Rev. James Moore, 1939-1940, and the present pastor in 1940.

Rev. James Dooley, the present assistant, was assigned to the church in 1947. Assistants previously serving the parish were Rev. Conrad Urbach, 1924-1925; Rev. Leo Creedon, 1925-1926; Rev. Ralph Doyle, 1926-1927; Rev. John Holloran, 1927-1935; Rev. John Kraka, 1935-1941; Rev. Andrew O'Keefe, 1939, and Rev. William Engbers, 1941-1947.

Parishioners Plan Fest At St. Margaret Mary's

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For those who might not be attending the second weekend of 500 qualifications at the Indianapolis Speedway on May 17 and 18, the parishioners of St. Margaret Mary's are offering their own "5000 Festival" at the Wabash Valley Fairgrounds.

With a racing theme, the festival will be composed of games and entertainment for children as well as adults. In addition, two full meals will be served and snacks will always be available.

The fairgrounds will be open for the festival from noon until 11 p.m. on Saturday, May 17, and from noon until 10 p.m. on Sunday, May 18.

All funds raised will go to the parish.

Bil Latta, who serves as chairman for the festival, emphasizes that the activities will include "something for the entire family and for the entire community."

He points out that parking is free at the fairgrounds, that there is no gate admission and that the prizes to be given away are substanial.

"On Saturday we will offer a special spaghetti dinner from 4 until 8 p.m. and on Sunday we will have a full chicken dinner from noon until 6 p.m.," he states.

"In addition we will have games and booths for children and for the adults and we will have snacks such a pizza and cotton candy available," Latta adds.

"The '5000 Theme' fits in with racing and with the help of Tony Hulman (local businessman) we will be giving away checkered flags that have been autographed by race drivers and a ride around the Speedway in the pace car," he continues.

Another activity during the festival will be a dance contest on Saturday from 7 until 10 p.m. Contestants will be judged in eight categories, including Charleston, swing, waltz, twist, cha cha, and contemporary. Two trophies and numerous ribbons will be given away.

Latta notes that if it should rain during the festival, the planners will move all of the activities inside one of the larger buildings at the fairgrounds.

"This is family entertainment at reasonable prices — our games, such as the dunking booth, simply require tickets that can be purchased all at once," he reports.

Among those involved in conducting the festival with Latta are Greg Roth, general chairman; George Perrelle, Mary Lou Hoffman, Betty Lee Cizek and Dan Edwards.

"This is our first year for this type of festival and we hope that we can receive both parish and community involvement so that it will be successful and can become an annual event," Latta concludes.

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ST. MARGARET MARY'S STUDENTS PROMOTE FESTIVAL — Students at St. Margaret Mary's have been working for the past few weeks on the first "500 Festival" to be conducted this weekend at the Wabash Valley Fairgrounds to raise funds for the parish. Pictured are Marie Heine, sixth grade; Pat Michaud, seventh grade; Judy Roth, seventh grade; Renee Uffen, sixth grade; and Jeannine Calvin, fifth grade. Pat designed and constructed the "5000" poster... House of Photography Photo.

St. Margaret Mary

St. Margaret Mary Church Plans 1

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Parishioners of St. Margaret Mary Church, 2405 S. 7th St., will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first Mass of the parish with special ceremonies during the Christmas Eve midnight Mass this year.

The first Mass in the parish was celebrated at midnight of Christmas Eve, 1920, in the former residence, at the southwest corner of 7th and Voorhees Sts., which served as a rectory and was demolished in 1957 for the new church-rectory.

Rev. Amos A. McLoughlin, the present pastor, said that special ceremonies, music and get-togethers are planned and an effort is being made to invite all the parishioners of 1920 to join in the commemoration of the beginning of the parish.

The parish was founded for families in the south portion of the city who lived an inconvenient distance from St. Joseph Church and school. On January 23, 1920, the Most Reverend Joseph Chartrand, D. D., the Bishop of Indianapolis, appointed Father Clement J. Thienes, then assistant chaplain of St. Mary-of-the-Woods College, as pastor.

Bishop Chartrand also is said to have chosen the patroness, St. Margaret Mary, a gentle saint who, though unobtrusive, played an important part in the Roman Catholic Church. She was canonized shortly before the founding of the parish.

The property on the southwest corner of 7th and Voorhees Sts. was purchased on May 20, 1920 but was not actually acquired until December of that year.

A dwelling on the purchased property had at one time been occupied by Congressman George W. Farris. The front room of the home was converted into a chapel which was used for Masses until the proposed combination church and Morand Widolff succeeded Father Lyons for about a year. Father John P. Elford assisted Father Winterhalter in 1947.

Anton Hulman Sr. purchased a residence in 1941 on the north- school building was completed. This chapel is where the first Mass was celebrated.

Actual construction of the church and school, what is now St. Margaret Mary School, 627 Voorhees St., was begun in May of 1921. In September, 1921 the building was completed with four classrooms on the second floor, the church on the main floor and a recreation, meeting and activities room in the basement.

115 Families in Parish

The parish originally comprised 115 families. The new church now serves approximately 325 families, or 1,100 members.

In the beginning, the school had an enrollment of 98 pupils under the direction of the Sisters of Providence in four classrooms. Now the school has an enrollment of 230 pupils in eight classrooms under the direction of five Sisters of Providence and five lay teachers.

On Friday, Dec. 18, the older people of the parish will be invited to the school for a Christmas celebration to express the school's appreciation of what the members of the parish have done for it.

Also as part of the golden anniversary, a cultural day will be held by the school the first Sunday of May. Items made by the students of the school, grades one through eight, will be on display then.

Change of Pastors

Father Thienes was assigned to St. Ann's Church in 1932, and Father Leo F. Creeden was appointed new pastor at St. Margaret Mary's. He served the parish until September of 1937, when his health failed. The main altar in the new

THE NEW ST. MARGARET MARY Church at South Seventh St. and Voorhees.

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church and a ciborium were provided by Father Creeden's sister, Mrs. Nora G. Mosher, in his memory

February 28, 1937, Father Herbert F. Winterhalter became pastor of the parish. He served as pastor of St. Margaret Mary's for 13 years and, on February 19, 1950, he became pastor at St. Patrick Church.

Father Winterhalter succeeded Father Thienes as Dean of the Terre Haute district in 1944 and was designated as Papal Chamberlain with the title of Right Reverend Monsignor in 1954.

During Father Winterhalter's pastorate the first assistant, Father Thomas E. Lyons, was appointed at the church. Father

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east corner of 7th and Voorhees Sts. as a convent for the Sisters of Providence teaching in the St. Margaret Mary School.

Silver Jubilee

In 1945 the silver jubilee of the parish was celebrated with a solemn High Mass. Participating in the celebration were Father Winterhalter, Father Thienes, Father Lyons, Father James Hickey of St. Ann Church, and the Most Reverend Joseph E. Ritter, Archbishop of Indianapolis.

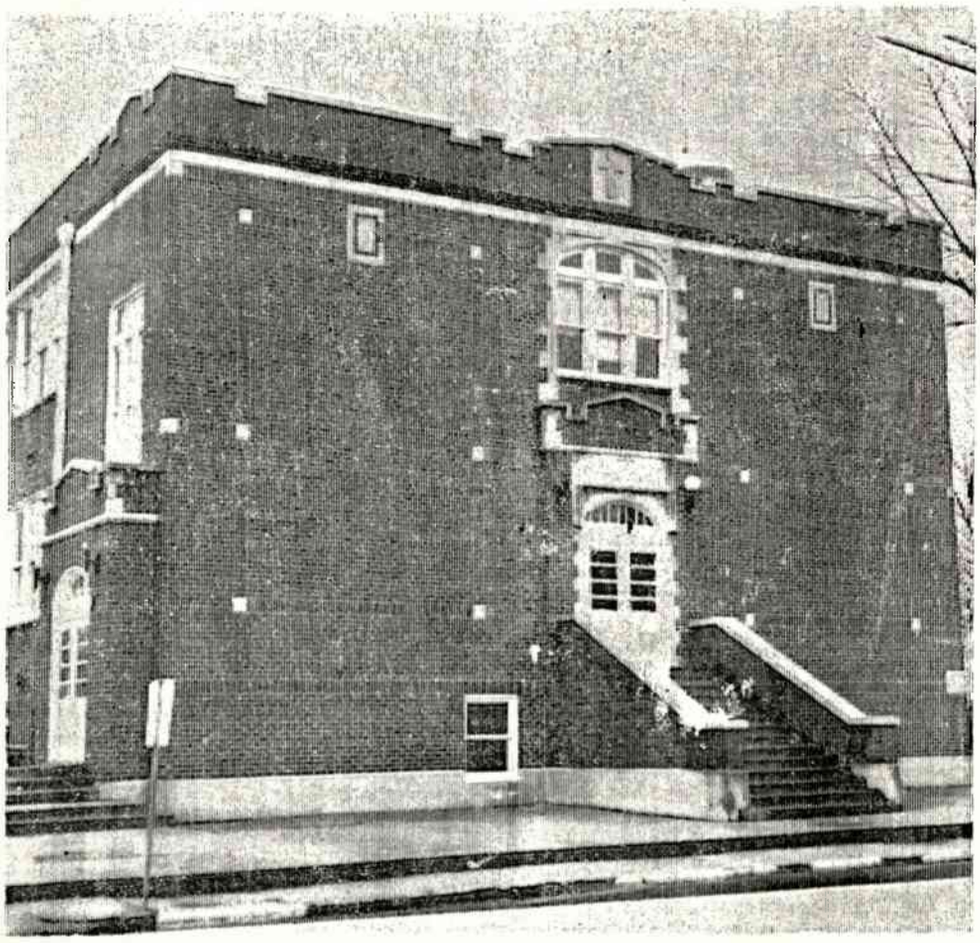
Father McLoughlin, the present pastor, came to the parish on Feb. 10, 1950, when Father Winterhalter was transferred to St. Patrick's.

As the population grew in the south portion of Terre Haute in the late 1940's and early 1950's, construction of a new church was considered. The church part of the original church-school could then be used for much-needed classrooms, and larger seating capacity for the church would be possible.

Construction of a new church became imperative in 1953 when enrollment in the school reached 180 students and part of the church was sacrificed for the construction of a fifth classroom.

In 1955 Father Elford was succeeded as assistant pastor by Father William F. Morley. Since then, assistant pastors have included the Reverends Laurence Lynch, Joseph McGinley, Joe McNally and Robert Drewes. The Reverend

for 50th Anniversary



THE SCHOOL of St. Margaret Mary parish which served as both church and school until the new structure was built.

Charles Burkhart has held the position since June of this year.

Church Plans Made

Full scale plans for the construction of the new church were initiated in 1956. Archbishop Paul C. Schulte and his staff counseled Father McLoughlin with the plans. Since the rectory, which was the original dwelling purchased by the parish, badly needed repair, it was decided to construct a combination church-rectory.

Nearly 100 men of the parish were organized to aid the campaign fund drive, and the drive began in October, 1956. Total pledges for the campaign amounted to $75,042.

Official architects for the new church-rectory were Yeager Architects, members of the parish. The original dwelling purchased by Father Thienes had to be razed, and this was completed by June of 1957.

Official groundbreaking ceremonies on June 2, 1957, were attended by church trustees, church society officers, members and friends of the parish and representatives of the architectural and contractor firms.

Father McLoughlin turned the first spade full of ground.

On Sunday, Sept. 1, 1957, the building's cornerstone was laid by Archbishop Schulte who also blessed the foundation.

Archbishop Schulte described the new contemporary-styled U-shaped structure which fronts on 7th St. as the true realization of the dream of St. Margaret Mary parishioners.

History of St. Leonard's Church

West Terre Haute, Indiana

The Church of St. Leonard of Port Maurice, familiarly known by those in this community as St. Leonard's Church of West Terre Haute, was founded in 1910 by the Rev. Thomas A. Hoffman. In the formative years of this parish, Mass was celebrated in the home of John Griffe, then living on Riggie Ave., this period being from 1910 to 1912. During the year of 1911 a school was established in what is now the rectory and was taught by Miss Lillian Johnson. The present combination Church and School was erected in 1912 and with the dedication of this building, the regular school was established and still operates under the tutelage of the Sisters of Providence.

In 1928 the Rev. Thomas A. Hoffman was succeeded by the Rev. Charles Kabey who had charge of the parish until 1931 when he was succeeded by the Rev. Urban Sonderman, who served the parish until 1934 when he was succeeded by the Rev. Pierce Dixon, the present pastor.

While St. Leonard's is the smallest parish in point of number of families, in this community, yet they probably have the largest number of various nationalities as parishioners, there being 14 nationalities represented. Their Church suppers, which are well patronized, bespeak the wholesome and energetic cooperation existing in this parish.

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The Inscription.

On the boulder is this superscription: "Here in the road, horseback, June, 1867, William H. Hickman, after a struggle of many days, gave up the study of medicine for a call to the Christian ministry. After 52 years as pastor, college president and administrator, he retired. This marker is placed in thanksgiving to God for a life of joy and unspeakable gift that began here." Genesis xxviii, 18-22; Acts ix, 3.

Dr. Hickman has four children, Mary Hickman Burk, Madison, Wis., whose husband is librarian of the Wisconsin university; Emma Ruth Hickman Taylor is the wife of Dr. Albert Taylor, who is at the head of the radio department of the navy for the government, and is at sea in experimental work; they live in Washington, D. C. William R. Hickman is the head of the Hickman Lumber company of Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. John S. Hickman is a surgeon and specialist, living in Jamestown, N. Y.

The mother of these children died in April, 1911. Dr. Hickman married Mrs. Alice G. Thompson of Terre Haute, June 21, 1915. He lives at present on the farm near Montpelier.

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St. Leonard's Church

ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, West Terre Haute, Ind., of which Rev. Charles Kabey is pastor, was dedicated May 5, 1912, by Rt. Rev. Joseph Chartrand, D. D., who was then auxiliary Bishop of Indianapolis. The young parish was begun just two years before, when Rev. Thomas A. Hoffman, first pastor of St. Leonard's, made a survey of the district now served by his parish. The result of this investigation was laid before the late Bishop Chatard, who commanded that the property now occupied by the parish house and church buildings be purchased and a church erected. Previous to the erection of St. Leonard's Church the Catholics of West Terre Haute heard Mass at St. Joseph's in Terre Haute. For a year and a half Mass was also celebrated each Sunday at the home of John Groppe, Riggie avenue.

Fourteen nationalities are served by St. Leonard's pastor. School was taught in the parish house the term of 1911, until November, when the present brick school building was completed and occupied. About fifty-six children were enrolled on November 19th, 1911, in the newly completed church, and Mass was for the first time celebrated.

Miss Lillian Johnson, now a Sister of the Order of Providence, taught the first school year. Since then the school has been under the direction of the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. The school consists of rooms on the first floor of the church's property. Accommodations for 100 children are afforded. The yearly enrollment has always reached that number.

By conducting the school, without a cent of expense to the community, St. Leonard's congregation is of great benefit to West Terre Haute.

Owing to peculiarities of location and other conditions, St. Leonard's congregation is not large. Its revenue for current expense is raised mostly by entertainments with the assistance of charitable Catholics from across the Wabash in Terre Haute. But St. Leonard's is spiritually rich and pastor and parishioners believe that material well-being will follow in due time.

Shortly after this sketch of St. Leonard's parish was written it was learned that Father Kabey was granted a leave of absence and is taking a much needed rest. Rev. Urban Sondermann, who has been stationed at the Gibault Home for Boys, will be the temporary pastor of St. Leonard's.

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